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SUBJECT: PAN AMERICAN REQUEST FOR SECOND SECTIONS ON FREIGHT
FREQUENCIES

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1. IN CALL ON DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION (DDGCA)
DECEMBER 11, EMBASSY OFFICERS MADE STRONG REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF
OF PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS IN EFFORT TO OBTAIN APPROVAL FOR PANAM TO
FLY SECOND SECTIONS ON EXISTING FREIGHT FREQUENCIES TO HANDLE LARGE
BACK-LOG OF AIR FREIGHT IN PAN AMERICAN'S HANDS IN NEW YORK AND
MIAMI. DDGCA INDICATED HE WOULD GRANT PANAM ONE SECOND SECTION
DECEMBER 11 AND PROMISED TO STUDY ISSUE WITH VIEW TOWARD GRANTING
ADDITIONAL SECOND SECTIONS ON DECEMBER 12.

2. EMBASSY ARGUMENT WAS SIMPLY THAT BILATERAL AGREEMENT AND
SUBSEQUENT CONSULTATIONS PROVIDED FOR ADDITIONAL SECTIONS WHEN
TRAFFIC WARRANTED FLYING THEM. FURTHER, OFFICERS ARGUED THAT LARGE
BACKLOGS OF GOODS ORDERED FOR PRE-CHRISTMAS MARKETING DICTATED
PROMPT ACTION ON THIS MATTER.

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3. COMMENT: EMBASSY IS HOPEFUL BUT NOT CONFIDENT THAT ADDITIONAL

FLIGHTS WILL BE AUTHORIZED DURING MONTH OF DECEMBER. IT SEEMS OBVIOUS FROM DIFFICULTY PANAM HAS HAD IN OBTAINING SECOND SECTIONS ON FREIGHT FREQUENCIES THAT THIS WILL BE ONE OF AGENDA POINTS IN FORTHCOMING BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS. EMBASSY STILL AWAITS FORMAL AGENDA BEING PREPARED BY TRANSPORTATION SECTION OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, BUT THIS ITEM AS WELL AS PRE-SCREENING PROCEDURES IS LIKELY CANDIDATE TO BE INCLUDED. LOCAL PANAM MANAGER HAS INFORMED US THAT VIASA IS NOW ATTEMPTING TO NEGOTIATE A PALLET AGREEMENT WITH PANAM FOR THE MIAMI-CARACAS ROUTE SIMILAR TO THAT ARRANGED IN NOVEMBER ON THE NEW YORK-CARACAS ROUTE. PANAM MANAGER FURTHER INDICATES THAT HE AUTHORIZED TO CHARTER UP TO TWO CARGO FLIGHTS WEEKLY TO VIASA SHOULD NEED ARISE AND PERMISSION BE GRANTED.
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